OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR GOVERNMENT OF GUAM AGANA, GUAM 96910

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 86-23

DECLARING PUBLIC SAFETY/HEALTH EMERGENCY AND AUTHORIZING USE OF OUTSTANDING APPROPRIATIONS FOR EMERGENCY EXPENDITURE

WHEREAS, Section 6113 GC, as amended by Public Law 15-75:4, authorizes the Governor to use any part not exceeding Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) of outstanding appropriations within the General Fund for expenses caused by civil defense, public safety or health emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Mass Transit Authority (GMTA) currently serves over 450 passengers per day seven days a week, 14 hours per day; and

WHEREAS, 18% of passengers are elderly, 8% of its passengers are handicapped, and 44% of its passengers are students; and

WHEREAS, many of its passengers have low incomes and cannot afford other alternate means of transportation; and

WHEREAS, GMTA's passengers rely on it for medical care, food procurement, work, school and other necessities of life and would suffer if its services were not available; and

WHEREAS, GMTA has earned the respect and support of the Legislature and Executive Branches and is expected to shortly be appropriated funds to continue its operations; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's September 23, 1986 request to the Legislature for funding for GMTA and the Legislature's response may not be effective until after September 30, 1986;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICARDO J. BORDALLO, Governor of Guam, by the authority vested in me by the Organic Act and the Laws of Guam, do hereby declare that a public emergency exists, and hereby order as follows:

1. The Guam Mass Transit Authority is authorized to expend the amount of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) per month, not to exceed a total of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) from the outstanding FY87 appropriations within the General Fund for the following:

- (a) continuation of the present Guam Public Transit system at the same level of service
- (b) administration of GMTA at whatever level the GMTA Board feels is necessary
- (c) to match any federal funds available to GMTA
- 2. The authorization for the certification, approval and the expenditures of funds for items 1 (a), (b), or (c) above, shall be this Executive Order No. 86-23.
- 3. All departments and agencies of the Executive Branch shall provide such assistance as is necessary to the Guam Mass Transit Authority so that it may proceed in these crucial matters without delay.

Signed and promulgated at Agana, Guam this 30th day of September, 1986.

RICARDO J. BORDALLO Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

EDWARD D. REYES

Lieutenant Governor of Guam